Case: 1:13-cv-00996-DAP Doc #: 18 Filed: 10/11/13 1 of 3. PageID #: 147

# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

David Catanzaro, :

Plaintiff, : Case No. 1:13-cv-00996

:

v. : Judge Polster

:

Seaman Garson LLC/LLP, et al., : Magistrate Judge White

:

Defendants. :

## MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL FOR PLAINTIFF

Plaintiff, David Catanzaro, wishes to substitute Rex H. Elliott, Charles H. Cooper, Jr., and Barton R. Keyes of the Columbus law firm Cooper & Elliott LLC as his counsel of record. Mr. Catanzaro has discharged his former attorney, Michael Cassidy, and retained Cooper & Elliott to represent him in this case. Both Michael Cassidy and the Cooper & Elliott attorneys have signed this Motion.

Local Rule 83.9 provides that the "attorney of record may not withdraw, nor may any other attorney file an appearance as a substitute for the attorney of record, without first providing written notice to the client and all other parties and obtaining leave of Court." Accordingly, Mr. Catanzaro respectfully asks this Court to allow 1) his former attorney, Michael Cassidy, to withdraw as counsel of record, and 2) Messrs. Elliott, Cooper, and Keyes to substitute and appear as counsel of record. Mr. Catanzaro submits the attached declaration in support of this motion.

# Respectfully submitted,

#### /s/ Rex H. Elliott

Rex H. Elliott (0054054)
Charles H. Cooper, Jr. (0037295)
Barton R. Keyes (0083979)
Cooper & Elliott, LLC
2175 Riverside Drive
Columbus, Ohio 43221
(614) 481-6000
(614) 481-6001 (Facsimile)
rexe@cooperelliott.com
chipc@cooperelliott.com
bartk@cooperelliott.com

Proposed Substituting Attorneys for Plaintiff David Catanzaro

(0001087)

## /s/ Michael P. Cassidy

Michael P. Cassidy Cassidy & Associates 11221 Pearl Road Strongsville, Ohio 44136 (440) 846-0000 Ext. 222 (440) 846-9770 (Facsimile)

Proposed Withdrawing Attorney for Plaintiff David Catanzaro

## **LOCAL RULE 7.1(f) PAGE LIMIT CERTIFICATION**

This case is not yet assigned to a track. This Memorandum adheres to the 20 page limit for memoranda in unassigned cases established by Local Rule 7.1(f).

/s/ Rex H. Elliott

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing Motion to Substitute Counsel for Plaintiff was filed electronically and served electronically on the following counsel of record, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013:

Monica A. Sansalone, Esq. Shane A. Lawson, Esq. Gallagher Sharp Sixth Floor - Bulkley Building 1501 Euclid Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Attorneys for Defendants Seaman Garson, LLC/LLP and James A. Deroche Thomas S. Mazanec, Esq. Elaine Tso, Esq. Mazanec, Raskin & Ryder Co., L.P.A. 100 Franklin's Row 34305 Solon Road Cleveland, Ohio 44139

Attorney for Defendant Wayne D. Porter, Jr.

/s/ Rex H. Elliott